### **Accepting Nominations!**

The mission of the Governor's Volunteer Service Awards is to promote an ethic of service and volunteerism and to recognize volunteer efforts that strengthen communities and improve quality of life for Arizonans.

**Nominations will be accepted through January 16, 2015**, with the award recipient announcement made as early as March. A statewide panel of judges will recommend the award recipients. The Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism will host a reception to honor the 14th Annual Award recipients in April 2015.

#### Nominations are being accepted in the following categories:

#### **Individual Volunteer Service Awards**

Adult Individuals 18 years of age or older at time of nomination

**Lifetime Achievement** Individuals who have exemplified the ideals of service over the past 25 years or

more

National Service Current or alumni individual members of AmeriCorps State, National, Tribal,

VISTA, and Senior Corps

**Youth** Individuals 17 years of age or younger at the time of nomination

#### **Group Volunteer Service Awards**

**Large Organization** Businesses, government, civic service, Citizen Corps, and other recognized

organizations that engage 101 or more individuals in volunteer service in the

organization's name

Nonprofit Organizations that are registered as a 501(c)3 or 501(c)6 nonprofit entity with the

Internal Revenue Service that engage volunteers

Small Organization Businesses, government, civic service, Citizen Corps, and other recognized

organizations that engage 100 or less individuals in volunteer service in the

organization's name

**Youth Group** Groups of two or more youth, 17 years of age and younger at the time of

nomination

**Nomination Submission:** The nomination form must be completed in full to be considered. Submit the nomination form in one of these three ways: mail, email, or fax by **January 16, 2015.** 

Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism Attn: Awards Committee 1700 W. Washington, Suite 230, Phoenix, AZ 85007 Fax: 602.542.3423 Email: volunteerawards@az.gov

Questions: (602) 542-3426

#### **Nomination Guidelines:**

- Volunteers may be nominated by anyone or may nominate themselves.
- Volunteer service must be performed in Arizona and may not include hours served as part of academic credit.
- Nominee's volunteer organization must serve the community at large (not limited to its own members).
- In the event that a nominee is submitted multiple times, the review panel will consider only the first nomination form submitted.
- The Commission on Service and Volunteerism reserves the right to award one or more recipients per category and reserves the right to withhold distribution of an award of a category if deemed appropriate.
- Any youth, adult, group or business compensated by salary or any other means from the organization that benefit from their services is not eligible to receive an award.
- A member of national service programs in Arizona (e.g. AmeriCorps\*State, National, Tribal, VISTA, or Senior Corps) is eligible only in the National Service category.
- Previous recipients are not eligible for nomination.
- Staff and members of the Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism are not eligible to receive an award.
- Entries are received in confidence and become the property of the Governor's Commission on Service
  and Volunteerism and will not be returned. Individual nominations may also be shared with the Hon
  Kachina Council, (<a href="http://www.honkachina.org/index.html">http://www.honkachina.org/index.html</a>) with the nominator's permission.
  Presented in Phoenix annually since 1977, the Hon Kachina Volunteer Awards program is designed to
  both recognize the achievement of outstanding Arizona volunteers and to increase public awareness
  about volunteerism.

#### Thank you to our 2014 Commission Partners!

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# **Nominee Information:** Business or group name (if applicable): Best Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ **Nominator Information:** Name: \_\_\_\_ Business or group name (if applicable):\_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to Nominee: Address: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Best Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd Phone: \_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_ Please provide two references familiar with the nominee's volunteer activities. References may not be related to the nominee. References: Reference #1: Best Phone:

☐ By checking this box, I give permission for this **Individual nomination** to be shared with the Hon Kachina Council. For more information about the Hon Kachina awards please visit: <a href="http://www.honkachina.org/about/index.html">http://www.honkachina.org/about/index.html</a>

Relationship to nominee: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Best Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference #2: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Best Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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## NOMINATION AWARD CATEGORY

Check only one box for which you are nominating the applicant. PLEASE NOTE: Make sure you read and select your category carefully. Nominations incorrectly categorized may not receive full consideration at time of judging.

Individual Volunteer Service Awards			
Adult	Individuals 18 years of age or older at time of nomination		
Lifetime Achievement	Individuals who have exemplified the ideals of service over the past 25 years or more		
National Service	Current or alumni individual members of AmeriCorps State, National, Tribal, VISTA, and Senior Corps		
Youth	Individuals 17 years of age or younger at the time of nomination		
Group Volunteer Service Awards  Large Organization  Businesses, government, civic service, Citizen Corps, and other recognized organizations that engage 101 or more individuals in volunteer service in the organization's name			
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1.	Please explain why you selected the category for your nominee. (200 character maximum)	
2.	Name the organization(s) with which the individual or group has volunteered and the number of years of service for each organization. <b>(500 character maximum)</b>	
3.	Provide a concise summary regarding the volunteerism performed by the individual or group, which may be published. <b>(1,000 character maximum)</b>	
4.	What makes this individual or group unique and deserving and what motivates this individual or group nominee to volunteer? (1,000 character maximum)	

5.	Describe the lasting impact resulting from this individual or group's volunteer work. How has this individual or group produced positive change and has provided an example for others? (1,000 character maximum)
6.	Describe how this individual or group's service addressed a specific community need and how the individual or group was actively involved and took initiative in the volunteer work.  (1,000 character maximum)
7.	Describe how this individual or group used creative methods to solve community problems. (1,000 character maximum)